

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

Cap regulations are designed, rightfully, to enrich the lives of viewers and consumers by providing diverse programming. Cable providers already enjoy monopolies on airwaves the public owns. Weakening existing regulations ensures the total usurpation of our airwaves by a handful of behemoths who will, thus, have the unchecked power to shape the opinions of a rapt, impotent audience. Please reconsider.